IV.—AMENDMENT TO RULES UNDER SECTION 40 (1) OF THE MADRAS ESTATES (ABOLITION AND CONVERSION INTO RYOTWARI) ACT, 1948.

* THE HON. SRI H. SITARAMA REDDI :—" Sir, I move—

'*That the following draft amendment to the rules published with Revenue Department notification, dated the 21st December* 1949, *at pages* 397–398 *of the Rules Supplement to Part I of the* Fort St. George Gazette, *dated the 27th December* 1949, *which it is proposed to make in exercise of the powers conferred by section* 40 (1) *of the Madras Estates (Abolition and Conversion into Ryotwari) Act,* 1948 (*Madras Act XXVI of* 1948), *be approved* :—

AMENDMENT.

'*In rule 2 of the said rules, for the words " not being an estate " the words " not being an inam estate " shall be substituted.*'

" Section 40 of the Zamindari Abolition Act lays down that the compensation payable to any person under the Act and the sums payable to any religious, educational or charitable institution under section 38 may be paid in such form and manner and at such time or times and in one or more instalments as may be prescribed by rules made by the Government. Section 40, sub-section (2), of the Act lays down that such rules shall be subject to the approval both of the State Legislative Assembly and of the State Legislative Council. Rules under section 40, sub-section (1), were issued in December 1949 with the approval of the Legislative Assembly, as the law then provided. Rule 2 of the rules under section 40 prescribes the instalments in which the compensation has to be paid in the case of estates not being estates which were held immediately before the notified date by a religious, educational or charitable institution. Rule 6 of the rules lays down the procedure to be followed in regard to the manner of annual payments under section 38 payable to religious, educational or charitable institutions owning inam estates as defined in section 2, sub-section (7), of the Act. Rule 2 as it stands at present does not provide for the method of payment of compensation in respect of zamin and under-tenure estates owned by a religious, educational or charitable institution. In the case of such estates, the method of payment is the same as in the case of other estates which do not come under section 38. It is therefore proposed to add the word ' inam ' before the word ' estate ' occurring for the second time in rule 2 of the said rules."

MR. CHAIRMAN :—" The question is—

' That the following draft amendment to the rules published with Revenue Department notification, dated the 21st December 1949, at pages 397–398 of the Rules Supplement to Part I of the *Fort St. George Gazette*, dated the 27th December 1949, which it

is proposed to make in exercise of the powers conferred by section 40 (1) of the Madras Estates (Abolition and Conversion into Ryotwari) Act, 1948 (Madras Act XXVI of 1948), be approved :—

AMENDMENT.

'In rule 2 of the said rules, for the words "not being an estate" the words "not being an inam estate" shall be substituted.'"

The motion was carried.

V.—REVIEW OF THE WORK OF THE COUNCIL.

* THE HON. SRI C. PERUMALSAMI REDDI :—" Mr. Chairman, Sir, this being the last occasion on which we will be meeting together, I wish to express our appreciation of the ability and impartiality with which you have discharged the duties of your high office and the judgment and firmness with which you have maintained the privileges and dignity of the House. In congratulating you on your unanimous election to this exalted position of the Chairmanship of this Council, we expressed our fervent hope that you will be absolutely unprejudiced and impartial in all your dealings here and that you will uphold its prestige. It gives me great pleasure to say that you have proved yourself more than worthy of the confidence we reposed in you. We are also thankful to you, Sir, for the courtesy, attention and affection you have uniformly shown to all of us alike.

" This Council has set up a very good record under your leadership. We have met on 179 days, 196 Bills have been passed and 1,555 questions have been answered. We have dealt with many pieces of legislation affecting the social and economic structure of the State. Under your able guidance every hon. Member of this House, both Government and Opposition, has been given an opportunity to express his opinion on the floor of the House. You have spared no pains to secure a full debate on every subject that came up for discussion in the House. You have been, Sir, a true friend to everyone of us and you have earned the respect and the esteem of all sections of the House.

" I would like to take this opportunity to thank the Deputy Chairman Sri Venkataswami Nayudu and the Leaders of the Opposition and place on record our deep appreciation of their co-operation and contribution to the very good record set up by this House.

" I must also thank the members of the Press who have been mainly responsible for making the public understand the usefulness of our activities here."

SRI K. MADHAVA MENON :—" Sir, I wholeheartedly and sincerely associate myself with the very warm sentiments that have been expressed by the Hon. Leader of the House. When Sri Kala